



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Youth Temperance Education Week

WHEREAS, the future of our state and nation is in the hands of today's youth and it is therefore of extreme importance that our young people be given every opportunity to develop into responsible citizens; and

WHEREAS, the increasing use of narcotics and alcohol has become a concern of school authorities and law enforcement agencies and has a shattering effect upon the home lives of our youth, as well as young adults; and

WHEREAS, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Rhode Island, in cooperation with its national organization, sponsors a program of education on the dangers associated with the use of drugs and alcohol, and promotes the enduring values of self-discipline, patriotism, and high ethical standards; and

WHEREAS, this organization provides materials to educate young people and achieve these standards, including films, books, pamphlets and posters which are made available for use by our schools, churches and civic organizations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim April 22-28, 2012 as Youth Temperance Education Week in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all of its citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of this week.



Given under my hand and the great
seal of the State of Rhode Island and
Providence Plantations,
this 9th day of March, 2012

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State